



**County
of Huron**

Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee



Minutes - April 11, 2006

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The HEALTH, AMBULANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE met in the Auditorium of the Health and Library Complex, Clinton at 9:00 a.m. with all members present.

1. Minutes

Moved by J. Bezaire

Seconded by M. Scott

That the minutes of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee meeting of March 7, 2006 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

BOARD OF HEALTH

2. Reports of the Director and Medical Officer of Health

- a) Final Report of the Agency Implementation Task Force

Penny Nelligan, Director, and Dr. Beth Henning, Medical Officer of Health provided an update on the Final Report of the Agency Implementation Task Force, for the information of the committee and Council. Also attached is a power point presentation dated March 20, 2006 presented by Dr. Henning.

Moved by M. Scott

Seconded by P. Klopp

That the report be received.

CARRIED

- b) 2005 Health Unit Operational Plan

Penny Nelligan, Director, presented the outcomes of the 2005 Health Unit Operational Plan and the draft of the 2006 Health Unit Operational Plan and answered questions of the committee.

Moved by D. Shewfelt

Seconded by K. Oke

That the report be received.

CARRIED

- c) Best Start

A resolution is attached dated February 23, 2006 from the Regional Municipality of Durham Board of Health regarding the Best Start Strategy. The Director of the Health Unit distributed the correspondence for information.

Moved by D. Shewfelt

Seconded by J. Bezaire

That the document be supported.

CARRIED

3. Disease Investigations Update

Laura Farrell, Public Health Manager, presented the attached report (Appendix A), for the information of committee and Council. Shirley Chalmers, Public Health Nurse, was introduced and spoke to the tuberculosis follow-up in the report and answered questions of the committee. It was noted that once you receive the vaccine for Hepatitis A & B, it is good for life.

There was some discussion on the process of the Health Units assisting each other in times of outbreaks. The Huron County Health Unit has offered assistance to not only neighbouring Health Units on numerous occasions including Toronto's SARS outbreak; London's Tuberculosis outbreak and in Walkerton during their crisis. This helps to keep our County current and skilled in these experiences.

Moved by D. Shewfelt
Seconded by J. Bezaire
That the report be received.

CARRIED

4. Safe Water Program Report

Bob Worsell, Public Health Inspector, presented the attached report (Appendix B) for the information of committee and Council.

Moved by M. Scott
Seconded by Warden R. Morley
That the report be received.

CARRIED

5. Seniors Needs Assessment

Sherri Bezaire, Public Health Promoter, presented the attached report (Appendix C) for the information of committee and Council. The report entitled, "Times Change II: Talking to Seniors in Huron County about their Health" dated August 2005 was distributed to members and is available in the Clerk's Office upon request.

Moved by D. Shewfelt
Seconded by K. Oke
That the report be received.

CARRIED

6. Accounts and Financial Statements

Accounts for March 2006 were reviewed.

General Health Programs	\$114,977.04
Healthy Hearts	699.25
Huron Addiction Services	1,990.79

Financial statements for the period ending February 28, 2006 were reviewed.

HEALTH UNIT	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	COUNTY CONTRIBUTION
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	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
General Programs	\$566,645	\$731,535	\$688,519	\$1,021,195	\$121,874	\$289,660
Initiatives	32,012	51,779	32,011	51,778	(1)	(1)

Moved by J. Bezaire
Seconded by K. Oke
That the accounts and financial statements be received.

CARRIED

AMBULANCE

7. Land Ambulance Services

David Lew, Manager of Land Ambulance Operations, presented the following reports and answered questions of the committee.

IN CAMERA

Moved by D. Shewfelt
Seconded by P. Klopp
That the committee proceed "In Camera" at 9:23 a.m. to discuss property matters and that Larry C. Adams, D. Carey, D. Lew, N. Rennick, D. Gibson, S. Barlow and representatives of DeMers Company remain in attendance.

CARRIED

Moved by D. Shewfelt
Seconded by K. Oke
That the committee rise from "In Camera" at 10:50 a.m.

CARRIED

Moved by D. Shewfelt
Seconded by M. Scott
That staff are to proceed as directed "In Camera".

CARRIED

- a) Administrative Update (Appendix D)

Moved by K. Oke
Seconded by J. Bezaire
That the report be received.

CARRIED

b) Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (Appendix E)

It is recommended that County Council approve the ongoing trial study of the adjunct device to provide cardio compressions in the field to the new standards and these devices be considered as part of a lease agreement with our vehicle supplier.

Moved by J. Bezaire
Seconded by D. Shewfelt
That the recommendation be approved.

CARRIED

c) Shelters and Warming Centres (Appendix F)

It is recommended that Huron County Council approve the use of the Huron County EMS bases as shelters and warming centres in the case of an inclement weather as directed by the Warden of the day. Further, it is recommended that the Huron County Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC), the Manager, Emergency Medical Services and the Facilities Manager review the need for generators for each of the four bases and include the cost of permanent installation for approval by County Council in June, prior to application for a JEPP grant.

A discussion ensued. It was noted that the lower tiers were not consulted and there was concern that there was no collaboration between emergency coordinators.

Moved by P. Klopp
Seconded by K. Oke
That the recommendation not be approved.

CARRIED

d) Wingham Ambulance Base

At the March 7, Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee meeting there was a motion that a request for proposal be prepared for the Wingham Ambulance Base. The EMS Manager informed the committee that a design is needed and recommended that a three bay station was preferred but that property specifications could dictate a two bay station.

Moved by D. Shewfelt
Seconded by P. Klopp
That an Architect be obtained to prepare draft plans for construction of the appropriate ambulance base on the County owned property in Wingham.

CARRIED

8. Accounts and Financial Statement

Emergency Management Services accounts for March 2006 totalling \$197,963.36 were reviewed.

The financial statement for the period ending February 28, 2006 was reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Ambulance	\$410,709	\$461,580	\$954,869	\$1,217,110	\$544,160	\$755,530

Moved by D. Shewfelt
Seconded by M. Scott
That the accounts and financial statement be received.

CARRIED

SOCIAL SERVICES

9. Report from the Social Services Department

John MacKinnon, Social Services Administrator, submitted the attached report (Appendix G) for the information of committee and Council. Michelle Gaynor was in attendance to present the report and answered questions of the committee.

Moved by K. Oke
Seconded by Warden R. Morley
That the report be received.

CARRIED

10. Huron County Housing Services

Don Brisson, Manager of Housing Services, submitted the following reports for the information of committee and Council.

- a) Housing Services (Appendix H)

Moved by D. Shewfelt
Seconded by J. Bezaire
That the report be received.

CARRIED

- b) Affordable Housing Program - Home Ownership Component (Appendix I)

Moved by J. Bezaire
Seconded by K. Oke
That the report be received.

CARRIED

- c) Affordable Housing Program
Rental and Supportive Capital Component (Appendix J)

Moved by J. Bezaire
Seconded by D. Shewfelt
That the report be received.

CARRIED

- d) Housing Analysis and Recommended Strategies (Appendix K)

It is recommended that the County of Huron enter into an agreement with Tim Welch Consulting for the provision of a Housing Analysis and Recommended Strategies report for the County in the amount of \$31,660.

Moved by D. Shewfelt
Seconded by P. Klopp
That the recommendation be approved.

CARRIED

- e) Public Tender - Replacement of Roof Shingles (Appendix L)

It is recommended that Public Tender (HC) 2006-03 be awarded to the low qualified bidder for the replacement of roof shingles at 45 Alfred Street, Wingham (28 unit, two storey apartment building).

Moved by P. Klopp
Seconded by K. Oke
That the recommendation be approved.

CARRIED

11. Accounts and Financial Statements

Social Housing accounts for March 2006 in the amount of \$248,594.35 were reviewed.

Financial statements for the period ending February 28, 2006 were reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Social Services	\$2,543,583	\$3,104,064	\$3,286,581	\$3,904,794	\$742,998	\$800,730
Social Housing	366,890	365,483	427,080	605,421	60,190	239,938

Moved by M. Scott
Seconded by K. Oke
That the accounts and financial statements be received.

CARRIED

12. Correspondence Attached – For Information

- a) Ministry of Children and Youth Services, Mary Anne Chambers, Minister, regarding 2006/2007 funding.
- b) Ambulance Service Review Final Report, March 8, 2006. (*Package available in the Clerk's Office upon request.*)
- c) Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, George Smitherman, Minister, regarding grant funding adjustment of \$600,166.
- d) List of Board of Health Correspondence for April 2006. *Available upon request.*
- d) Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, John Gerretsen, Minister re:
 - Funding of \$13,270 for the Provincial Rent Bank Program
 - Funding of \$192,000 for Affordable Housing Program
- e) Blue Water Rest Home (BWRH) re: request for status of funding from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care for redevelopment of 50 bed at BWRH.
- g) 2006 Annual alpha Conference June 15 – 16, 2006 at the Courtyard by Marriott, Downtown Toronto. Draft agenda and registration form attached. Contact the Health Unit if you wish to attend.

FOR INFORMATION

13. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, May 9, 2006 at 9:00 a.m.

14. Adjournment

Moved by J. Bezaire

Seconded by K. Oke

That the meeting adjourn at 1:20 p.m. and be declared a full day meeting for those Councillors in attendance for more than two and half hours.

CARRIED

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Chair